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Office Action Summary

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10/806,493

Applicant(s)

YEN ET AL.

Examiner

Alfred Joseph Wujciak III

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Period for Reply

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 21 April 2006.
2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 4-11 and 17-25 is/are pending in the application.
4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
6) ☒ Claim(s) 4, 17 and 25 is/are rejected.
7) ☒ Claim(s) 5-11 and 18-24 is/are objected to.
8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 23 March 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.
4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

This is the 3rd non-final Office Action for the serial number 10/806,493, Liquid Crystal Display, filed on 3/23/04.

The examiner withdraws the allowability of claims 4-11 and 17-25 in view of new ground of rejection, any inconvenience is regretted.

The applicant did not include the status identifier for claims 15-16 which are cancelled.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

Claims 4, 17 and 25 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by US Patent # 6,672,553 to Lin.

Lin teaches a liquid crystal display (B) comprising a supporting base having a first section (5 and 55), a second section (4), a third section (71, 73), a first pivot (61) positioned between the first section and the second sections and a second pivot (712) positioned between the second section and the third section. The second section is hollow (inside of 411) and the first pivot comprises a fixed element (A and 1). The display includes movable element (3) connected to the second section. The third section supports a display unit (B) with exerting a first torque on the first pivot by a weight of the display unit. The display includes a pre-force mechanism (26 and 432) having a first end connected to the first pivot and a second end movably

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disposed in the second section. The pre-force mechanism comprises a rod (21) coupled to the fixed element of the first pivot, a stopper (6) disposed in the second section of the supporting base and a spring (26, 432) disposed on the rod and pressed against the stopper.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 5-11 and 18-24 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claim 25 is allowed.

In regard to claims 5-11 and 18-24, the prior fails to teach wherein the rod comprises a first end coupled to the fixed element of the first pivot, a second end, and a middle portion located between the first end and the second end.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 4-11 and 17-25 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Alfred Joseph Wujciak III whose telephone number is (571) 272-6827. The examiner can normally be reached on 8am-4:30pm.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Robert Olszewski can be reached on (571) 272-6815. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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Alfred Joseph Wujciak III
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Joseph Wujciak III', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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